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FAILLE MESSALINES, 69c YARD.

19 inches wide, all pure silk, extra high finish, in the latest evening shades, such as ciel, mais, pink, tea rose, Nile, lilac, apricot, pearl, champagne and ivory; usually 85c yard.

CHIFFON CLOTHS, \$1.00 YARD.

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42 inches wide, excellent quality, in pink, corn, white, lilac and black.

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26 inches wide, with soft rich lustre, in all of the popular evening shades; usually 85c yard.

COREAN CREPES, 69c YARD.

32 inches wide, soft and shimmering, in beautiful evening shades, in sky, yellow, pink, old rose, white, lilac, cadet

# WIFE MURDERER DID NOT INTEND TO DIE IN CHAIR

Supreme Court Refuses Writ of But Hunt Pulled Trigger and Error in Case of John

John J. Smyth, the Norfolk wife- With the words. "Don't you believe murderer, will in all probability die I'll shoot myself?"

murderer, will in all probability die in the electric cha'r Friday morning. A writ of error was reflused him yesterday in the Supreme Court, and the Governor had previously declined to interfere. He did, however, grant a respite from December 8 to December 18 to await the action of the court on the potition.

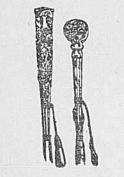
The evidence in this case shows that Smyth had been taking from twenty to twenty-five drinks a day for seven years, and two witnesses put his regular capacity at from twenty to fifty drinks a day. On the morning of the murder he went to meet a sister, who failed to arrive, took about sixteen drinks, and returned to his home. He drew a revolver, and, unheeding the presence of his little daughter, who was trying to protect her mother, shot them both fatally. His little eight-year-old boy was an eyewitness.

The child testified that on the night before his father had threatened to kill his mother, and this was taken both by the jury and the Governor to indicate a stufficient degree of premeditation, where defense was mental. both by the jury and the Governor to indicate a sufficient degree of premeditation, where defense was mental trresponsibility from alcoholism. A. P. Thom, Jr. was appointed by the court to defend Smyth, and has persistently fought for his client before every tribunal.

Another Walker Here

Aaron P. Wirt, of Pennsylvania, who is walking from Pittsburg to Tampa, is in Richmond trying to locate some of his red.

Airon P. Wirt, of Pennsylvania, who is walking from Pittsburg to Tampa, is in Richmond trying to locate some of his red. it is the Hunt really intended to believe that Hunt really intended to limit himself, but Dr. Harshbarger liam Wirt. Ho is detained here by blood poisoning, which has affected his right pistol was not loaded, pulled the pistol was not loaded, pulled the pistol was not loaded, pulled the trigger as a joke. He was sleeping soundly when the officers last saw him. Asron P. Wirt, of Personal River



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Zell-Van Dyke Syndicate Gets Appeal in the Supreme Court.

Allege Agreement for Reorgan- Captain Myers Desires Comization of Norfolk-Southern Railroad.

and important litigation involving the

OPINION BY MR. POLLARD

canchise can be granted unless the clinance granting it requires bond be executed before any work under is begun.

CITY WINS AGAIN

Tells Committee About Law in Matter of Granting Franchise.

At its next meeting the Council Committee on Streets will have before it an opinion from City Attorney Pollard, who was requested to pass upon a question of law raised in the hearing of the Richmond Power Corporation's application for a franchise to operate an electric plant in this city Counsel for the Virginia Italiway and Power Company wanted to know if the city ordinance did not require the applicant to file a bond before the franchise matter could be considered or voted upon by committee or Council. Mr. Pollard states in his opinion that the new Constitution of Virginia and the statute passed by the Legislature to put into effect the constitutional provisions relative to the sale of all franchises to the highest bidder, has the effect of repealing the deposit of a bond.

In other words, the Richmond Power Corporation will not be required to give bond while its application is pending before the Street Committee or in Council. The franchise, if granted, will be soil to the highest bidder, but no franchise can be granted unless the ordinance granting it requires bond

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# RENEW FIGHT FOR HOWITZERS HOLD CARD GAME ROW CONTROL OF BOARD ANNUAL REUNION LEADS TO MURDER

Bunny Tinsley Caught Eight Survivors of War Gather for Miles From Town Three Hours After the Shooting.

mand to Have Distinctive Subdued.

For the thirty-fifth time, the survivors of the Richmond Howitzers of warcontrol of the Norfolk-Southern Rail-times met in annual banquet last night road Company, formerly the Norfolk at Murphy's Hotel. Not more than and Southern Railway Company, was thirty of the white-haired veberans rested yesterday afternoon, eight miles

Thirty-Fifth Time Around

Board.

and Sylvanus L. Schoonmaker.

Important Lice.

The Norfolk-Southern Railroad Company, which was recently bought by the reorganization committee and reincorporated, went into the hands of Receivers Harry W. Wolcott and Hugh M. Kerr on July 1, 1908. It operates nearly 600 miles of line, mest of which lies in Norfolk county. Va. There are also some steamers used as feeders in the Southern territory.

The syndicate sets forth that a conference was held between the warring factions on January 19, 1909. Those who took part were Zeil and Van Dyke for the syndicate, and Clark and Schoonmaker for the reorganizers. The syndicate desired to acquire the properties, and the others, it is stated, represented the holders of the first and refunding mortgage bonds.

At this conference, it is alleged, an agreement was entered into covering extensive transactions in the bonds, and providing for the payment of interest. The syndicate was to get the \$5,000,000 of first mortgage bonds and providing for the payment of interest. The syndicate was to get the \$5,000,000 of first mortgage bonds and providing for the payment of interest. The syndicate was to get the \$5,000,000 of first mortgage bonds and providing for the payment of interest. The syndicate was to get the \$5,000,000 of first mortgage bonds at 50 per cent., and was to get \$5,500.

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AVE THIS conside chased, and an order permitting their use is still in effect. But in conforming with the Dick bill, the battery has been recruited up to 133 men, and there is no money with which to buy the additional uniforms. He asked the Howitzers' Association to take the

Patterson Asquitted,
Joseph Patterson, white, indicated for carbreaking, was acquitted yesterday in the Hastiara Court,

MAY YET GET POSSESSION WANTS UNIFORMS OF GRAY BLOOD TRAIL TOWARD SWAMP

Negro Threatened to Shoot Officer, but Was Easily

Within less than three hours after he lay dead from four bullet wounds

and Southern Railway Company, was written yesterday morning, when the Supreme Court of Appeals allowed an appeal to what is popularly known as the "syndicate," in contradistinction to the reorganization committee, which now holds the property. The record will be printed and the case will go on the docket of the court.

The petitioners, styled the "syndicate," who were the complainants in the lower court, are J. W. Van Dyke, H. C. Folger, Jr., Charles N. Murdock, Samuel L. Murdock, Frank D. Zell and Charles H. Burr. The reorganization committee, now the appellees, are Rathbone Gardner, George C. Clark, John I. Waterbury, Oakleigh Thorne and Sylvanus L. Schoonmaker.

Important Line.

The Norfolk-Southern Railroad Com-

mouth. At the fourth and last shot Stokes died, and his body rolled off the man fighting underneath.

Fired at Close Range.

The firing was at such close range that when Bicycle Policeman Bryant and Patrolman Walton arrived Stokes's clothes were on fire, and they beat the flames out with their hands. Bicycle Policemen Thurman and Krengle also answered the call sent into the Second Station, and the four men soon learned the name of the murderer, He had some and when a containing the gifts of friends. Should one of the culture tubes break the flame out with letters or packages in the mail the amount of disease spread could not be estimated. learned the name of the murderer.

He had gone, and when an officer visited his home he was found to have fied. A warrant for his arrest was sworn out, and the whole city force was notified to be on the lookout for the control of t

LEAVES \$78.300

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# PHYSICIANS FAIL ANCIENT SUITS TO OBSERVE LAW

Many Subject to Arrest for Not Commonwealth Receives Rem-

nished by the government for mailing proceeding. The first was that of the

acted as toastmaster.

Committees in Charge.

The banquet committee, composed of James T. Gray, E. J. Bosher, R. Lorraine, H. M. Starke and J. P. Watson, received plenty of encomiums for the manner in which the affair was managed. The invitation committee was composed of Judge George L. Christian, William E. Word and Judson S. Bosher.

Bosher.

Stitus, Finding illusiant inderneath, and practically helpless, Tinsley says, the pulled his pistol and fired. The first bullet went through Stokes's airm, and had no effect in making him desting the postmaster. For some reason or other, it is said, the physicians, who should know better than any one else the danger lurks, composed of Judge George L. Christian, William E. Word and Judson S. Bosher.

Stokes died, and his body rolled off the man fighting underneath.

Heavy Penalty Provided.

headquarters, where, after he had been closely questioned, he was served with a warrant charging him with having and Equity Court by the Planters National stolen an overcoat from A. B. Braga, Bank against Coleman Johnston for \$855. of \$07 East Broad Street. He is said to have returned the overcoat when he learned that the detectives were on his trail.

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nants of Two Old Estates by Decision.

On motion of Attorney-General Samuel W. Williams three ancient cases in which the Commonwealth of Virginia is a party, were from the docket of the City Circuit Court yesterday, two being chancery causes, and the last a common law Commonwealth against George Duners's

Commonwealth against George Duners's curator, a chancery cauge. Duners left no heir to claim his estate, and after waiting for more than a quarter of a century the Commonwealth claimed the amount, now \$4.801.84, and it will be paid over to the State.

The second case was that of the Commonwealth against Samuel M Page and others, which was entered in 1872, and involved title to a piece of property valued at \$590. The conjusted estate goes to the Commonwealth.

The third case was that of the Commonwealth against John H. Sears, at one time sheriff of Mathews county. The action was brought to recover on the sheriff's bond the amounts due by him to the State at the time of his death. A large part of the obligation has already been recovered by the State, and the Attorney-Genera, moved the dismissal of the case without prejudice to the right of the State to reintroduce it, should any further assets on which the State could levy appear. Sheriff Sears was an uncle of J. Boyd Sears.

Marriage Licenses,
Marriage licenses were issued yesterday
in the Hustings Court to Johnnie Sam
Mitchell and Emma Irene Marsh; Eugene
Douglas Crumpton and Eudora Dewitt
Davis; Roscoe C. McGiffen and Araminta
E. Armistead; Fred W. Small and Annie C.
Moore, and Morris Grazeck and Tsirel Sneiser.

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# rleo county, while not attempting to decide the question as to whether Virginia Avenue is a nublic highway refused yesterday to set aside its former action by which the city of Richmond was permitted to construct a sawer in that thoroughfare. This means that the effort to prevent the work has failed and is a distinct victory for the city. Judge Scott, in the Henrico Circuit Court declined to grant an injunction to hold up the sawer work when application was made by counsel for Mrs. Sarah Chaffin and the Riverview Improvement Company. The matter was taken to the State Supreme Court, where Judge Scott was sustained Counsel for these complainants asked the supervisors to recall their former resolution under which the city secured permission to proceed with the construction, but the request was denied.